

Application No. 10/561,668
Amendment Dated April 13, 2009
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Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figure 7. This sheet, which includes Figures 5-7, replaces the original sheet including Figures 5-7. In Figure 7, the element number “46” was amended to read “46/46R/46M.”

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Remarks

Claims 1-10 are pending.

Claims 1-10 are objected to.

Claims 1 and 4 have been amended.

Claims 1-10 are submitted herein for review.

No new matter has been added.

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner has objected to the abstract and paragraph [0011] of the specification. Applicant has amended these items and paragraphs [0052], [0057] to correct the minor issues and respectfully request that the objections be withdrawn.

In paragraph 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner objected to the drawings because they do not include elements “46M” and “46R.” Applicants note that, as described in paragraphs [0058] and [0059], elements 46R and 46M represent regular and marked tickets using a magnetic strip as show in Figure 7. Such “regular” and “marked” versions of the ticket 46 denote electronically regular and marked tickets which would otherwise not be visible. As such, Figure 7 has been amended to correctly denote that it shows the correct appearance for all three elements 46, 46R and 46M. As such, Applicant respectfully requests that this objection be withdrawn.

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In paragraph 5 of the Office Action, the Examiner has made minor technical objections. Applicant has amended this claim and claim 4 to correct minor issues, and respectfully requests that this objection be withdrawn

In view of the foregoing Applicants respectfully submit that pending claims 1-10 are in condition for allowance, the earliest possible notice of which is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner feels that an interview would facilitate the prosecution of this Application they are invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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APPENDIX

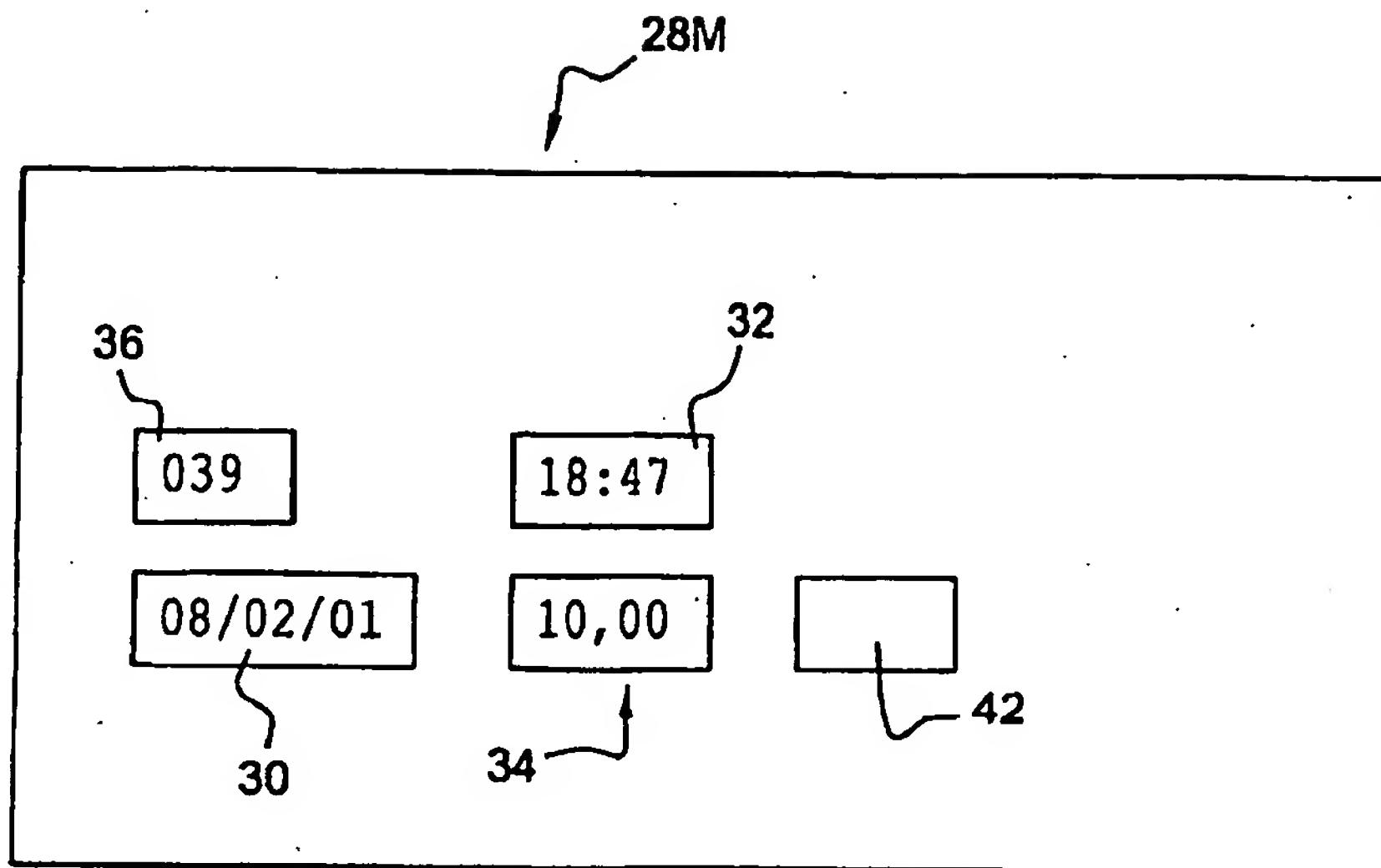


Fig. 5

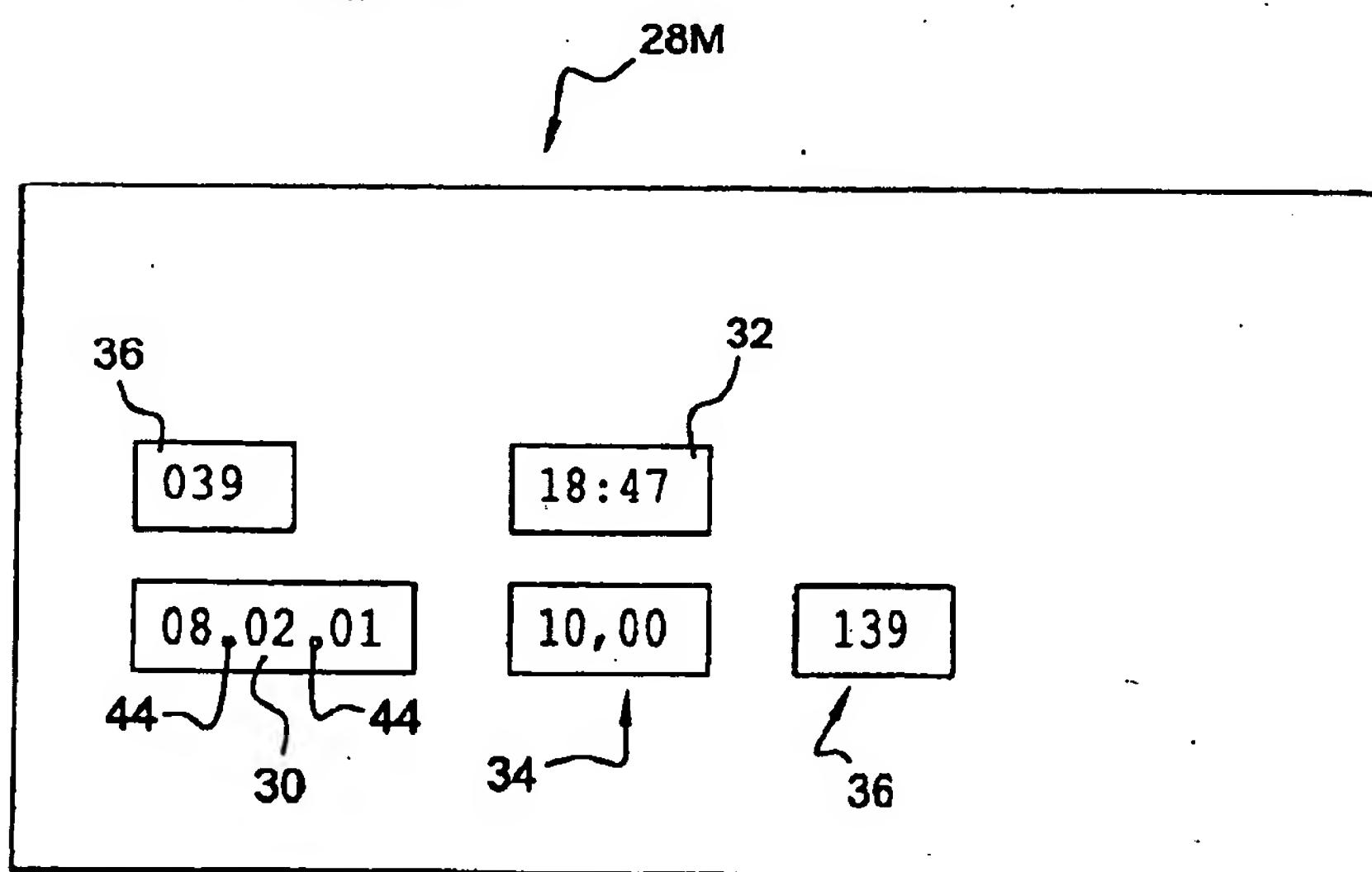


Fig. 6

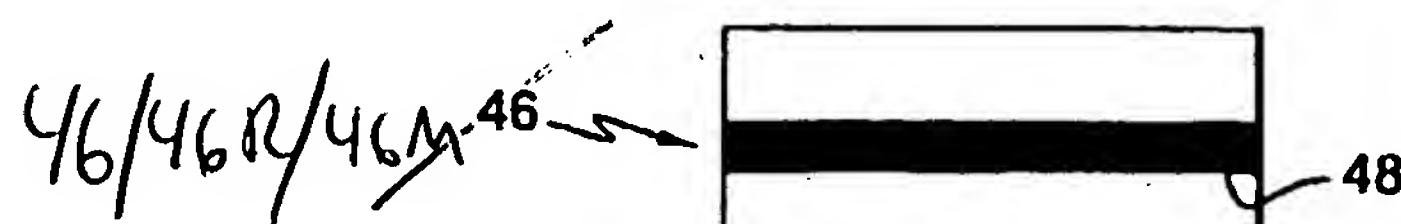


Fig. 7